

for research, monitoring, and resource management issues germane to the Albemarle-Pamlico watershed.

- d. Members should have expertise in science and technology relevant to environment and natural resource management, including but not limited to: landscape ecology, terrestrial ecology, wetlands ecology, submerged aquatic ecology, marine biology, hydrology, remote sensing, ecological assessment, engineering, agricultural technologies, forest technologies, soil conservation, water quality modeling, environmental policy, economics, public policy, planning, spatial statistics, and law.
 - e. Each member shall serve a three-year term, renewable once consecutively. The membership will have staggered appointments so that one-third of the membership can be reappointed each year.
 - f. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment or invitation from the remaining committee members as set forth in the committee's bylaws.
2. Duties.
- a. The STAC shall be responsible for recommending research and monitoring activities and needs related to CCMP implementation or advancement to the Policy Board and the Program Office.
 - b. The STAC shall advise and consult with the Policy Board, the public, and various interest groups, as well as local, state, and federal governments within program boundaries on scientific and technical issues affecting implementation and advancement of the CCMP management actions. Members shall advise these groups of actions and information relevant to research and monitoring issues in the Albemarle-Pamlico watershed.
 - c. The STAC will have no authority other than as an advisory body.
 - d. The STAC will serve as a forum for the exchange of scientific information about the Albemarle-Pamlico estuarine system.
 - e. The STAC shall select two members to serve on the Policy Board.
 - f. The STAC shall be responsible for determining its own rules of order, bylaws, chairmanship, attendance requirements, and other matters of protocol.
3. Meetings.
- a. The STAC shall meet at least two times each year, or more frequently if deemed appropriate or upon request by the Policy Board or the Program Director.
 - b. Federal, state, and local agencies with environmental management responsibilities in the Albemarle-Pamlico watershed are invited to participate in meetings of STAC.
 - c. All meetings shall be open to the public and noticed in accordance with North Carolina's open meeting laws.

C. Management Advisory Committee

- 1. Membership.
 - a. The Management Advisory Committee (MAC) will be broad-based and should include representation from federal, state, and local agencies with